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--63. The security device as claimed in claim 62, in which the controller is arranged to establish communication with the automatic teller machine in order that an attack on the automatic teller machine can be signaled to the security device in order that it can operate the spoiling means to spoil the contents of the cash cassette.--

--64. The security device as claimed in claim 62, in which the security device is arranged to signal to the automatic teller machine when it has correctly coupled with the cash cassette and has taken over responsibility for protecting the contents of the cassette.--

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--65. The security device as claimed in claim 62, in which the spoiling means comprises a reservoir of ink which can be ejected under pressure via a fluid flow coupling into the cash cassette to the degrade the contents thereof. --

--66. The security device as claimed in claim 65, in which the reservoir and the controller are contained within an enclosure containing penetration detection means.--

--67. The security device as claimed in claim 66, in which the penetration detection means comprises at least one conductor arranged to traverse an element that is to be monitored for penetration, such that penetration of the element causes damage to the at least one conductor thereby altering its electrical properties.--

--68. A security system comprising a locking device for locking the security system onto a portable container to be protected during transportation, spoiling means for spoiling the contents of the container in the event of an attack and a controller for controlling operation of the locking device and spoiling means.--

--69. The security system as claimed in claim 68, in which the locking device locks around an opening of the container and an adapter mounted on the container.--

--70. The security system as claimed in claim 68, in which a first module contains the controller and a second module contains the locking device, and in which the spoiling means is contained within one of the first and second modules.--

--71. The security system as claimed in claim 68, in which the control module includes communication means for exchanging data with other security systems, such that a first of the security systems can validate that the second one of the systems is protecting the container before the first one releases responsibility.--

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--72. The security system as claimed in claim 68, in which the controller module includes a local memory and power supply and at least one sensor.--

--73. The security system as claimed in claim 72, in which the local memory is programmed with the identity of each automatic teller machine which is scheduled for a cash delivery within a predetermined time period.--

--74. The security system as claimed in claim 68, further comprising a delivery vehicle including a controller which controls the release of cash cassettes from the delivery vehicle and which exchanges data with the controller of the security system.--

--75. The security system as claimed in claim 68, in which the controller is arranged to measure at least one of walk time, distance traveled, and absolute time since release and to activate the spoiling mechanism if any of these exceeds an associated threshold.--

--76. The security system as claimed in claim 71, in which the controller is arranged to communicate with an automatic teller machine to validate identities, to exchange data concerning the value and/or denomination of money being transferred to or from the security system and the automatic teller machine.--

--77. The security system as claimed in claim 71, in which the controller is arranged to pass encryption or decryption keys to an automatic teller machine.--

--78. The security system as claimed in claim 72, in which the controller includes at least one of an accelerometer, compass, inertial guidance system and temperature sensor so as to detect if the container is being moved in an inappropriate direction or if an attempt is being made to defeat the security system using a hot torch or extreme cold.--

--79. The security system as claimed in claim 68, in which the spoiling means includes at least one dye reservoir for delivering dye, and one of a compressed gas cylinder, a chemical delivery system for generating gas, and explosive delivery system or a mechanical system for causing the dye to be expelled from the at least one reservoir.--

--80. A security container, comprising:

- a) an enclosure for defining a protected volume, said enclosure having an opening;
- b) a removable closure for sealing the opening in the enclosure; and
- c) a protective element protecting the removable closure from attack and arranged, in use, to act as a sacrificial element in the event of an attack on the security container in order to enable a

spoiling apparatus located in one of the enclosure, the removable closure or the protective element to operate.--

--81. The security container as claimed in claim 80, in which the removable closure is arranged to selectively lock onto at least one of :

- a) the security container ;
- b) the enclosure;
- c) the protective element; or
- d) an external locking apparatus.--

--82. The security container as claimed in claim 81, in which the removable closure is formed by an interface element.--

--83. The security container as claimed in claim 82, in which the container is a cash cassette for an automatic teller machine, the cassette is carried inside the enclosure and the interface element locks to the cash cassette and the enclosure.--

--84. The security container as claimed in claim 80, in which the protective element is a hood which, in use, covers the removable closure and extends partially along the length of the enclosure, and which selectively locks to the removable closure.--

--85. The security container as claimed in claim 80, in which at least one of the enclosure and protective element includes means for detecting physical penetration thereof.--

--86. The security container as claimed in claim 85, in which the means for detecting penetration comprises one or more conductors arranged adjacent one another such that the conductors become damaged when an object passes through an element including them.--

--87. A removable closure for a security container, the closure comprising locking means for locking to at least one of:

- a) a container which encloses a volume to be protected;
- b) an enclosure for protecting a volume to be protected, which volume may enclose said container,
- c) a protective cover; and, optionally,
- d) an external locking apparatus.--

--88. The removable closure as claimed in claim 87, in which the locking means is provided with a plurality of movable engagement elements movable between locking and unlocking positions.--

--89. The removable closure as claimed in claim 88, in which engagement elements are individually controllable.--

--90. The removable closure as claimed in claim 88, in which the engagement elements are controlled by respective cams mounted for rotation in response to rotation of a common shaft.--

--91. The removable closure as claimed in claim 88, in which the locking means follows a set sequence and in turn locks onto one or more other parts of a security system as follows:

- a) all engagement elements withdrawn;
- b) locks onto a control unit only;
- c) locks onto the control unit, and a cassette;
- d) locks onto control unit, cassette and a sleeve;
- e) locks onto the control unit, cassette, sleeve and rack;
- f) locks onto cassette, sleeve and rack.--

--92. The removable closure as claimed in claim 87, in which the locking means comprises an interface card.--

--93. The removable closure as claimed in claim 88, in which the engagement means are slidable bolts.--

--94. The removable closure as claimed in claim 91, in which a protective element is locked onto the locking means as set forth in paragraph b, c, d, or e.--

--95. The removable closure as claimed in claim 92, in which the control unit includes a drive device for driving the interface card between the various positions.--

--96. The removable closure as claimed in claim 92, in which the interface card has an input shaft for causing motion of the movable engagement elements, and the input shaft is protected against malicious or inadvertent rotation by a mechanical interlock.--

--97. The removable closure as claimed in claim 96, in which the mechanical interlock is in the form of a solenoid which must be actuated to release the input shaft to allow it to rotate.--

--98. A tamper resistant coupling for coupling an ink or dye based spoiling security system to a security container, said coupling comprising co-operating male and female connectors, the male connector comprising a hollow pipe disposed within a movable sheath, the pipe including at least one delivery aperture arranged on the side thereof, such that as the male and female components are coupled together, the pipe extends into a recess in the female component and the end of the pipe extends past the at least one delivery aperture in the female component.--

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--99. The tamper resistant coupling as claimed in claim 98, in which a monitoring device is arranged to monitor the relative motion between the pipe and the sheath of the male unit and to signal an error if the motion falls outside of an expected range. --

--100. The tamper resistant coupling as claimed in claim 98, in which a latch is operated to secure the male and female units in place with respect to one another when they are properly coupled together.--

--101. The tamper resistant coupling as claimed in claim 98, in which a latch is arranged to hold a cash cassette of an automatic teller machine at a first position which corresponds to the operating position of the cassette within the automatic teller machine, but which latch also, when under stress, allows movement of the cassette to a second position, said movement being detected by a sensor and is used to activate a spoiling mechanism which is still in fluid flow communication with the interior of the cassette.--

--102. A rack system for use in a cash in transit vehicle, in which the rack contains a plurality of attachment points for attaching a cassette and an interface card to the rack and a control system for controlling spoiling means for spoiling the contents of the cassette, wherein the spoiling means may be provided within the rack or may be attached to or provided in the interface cards.--

--103. The rack system as claimed in claim 102, in which the cassette is enclosed in a volume defined by an enclosure and the interface card removeably closes a mouth of the enclosure.--

--104. The rack system as claimed in claim 102, in which the rack comprises a plurality of arms movable between operating positions in which they can act to secure the cash cassette and non-operating positions in which the arms are folded away or retracted to release space to the interior of the vehicle.--

--105. The rack system as claimed in claim 102, in which the rack system includes a data communications link such that a security system used to protect the cassette while it is being carried from the cash in transit vehicle can exchange data with the cash in transit vehicle in order to determine the position of the vehicle or to exchange data such as the identity of the automatic teller machine which is to be filled, or security codes.--

--106. The rack system as claimed in claim 102, in which the rack system is arranged to release only one empty container and one security system for the container when the cash in transit vehicle arrives at an unloading point, the cash cassettes not being released until a dummy run to an automatic teller machine to be replenished has been completed.--

--107. An automatic teller machine characterized by a data exchange device for exchanging data with a security system for protecting a cash cassette during delivery.--

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--108. The automatic teller machine as claimed in claim 107, in which the automatic teller machine is arranged to exchange data relating to at least one of security codes, identity codes, the value of money in a new cash cassette, value of money in an old cash cassette and encryption/decryption keys with the security system for protecting the cash cassette.--

--109. A marker for use in a spoiling apparatus, the marker characterized by comprising an ink or dye or including an additive that emits visible radiation.--

--110. The marker as claimed in claim 109, in which the ink, dye or additive phosphoresces or fluoresces.--

--111. An apparatus for activating a spoiling mechanism, comprising a first coil connected to energize a spoiling mechanism, the first coil being mounted on a first member, and a second coil connected to a power supply and mounted on a second member, and in which the first and second members are arranged such that relative motion between them causes the coils to approach and inductively couple to one another, thereby supplying power to the spoiling mechanism.--

--112. A method of manufacturing a tamper resistant panel or containers, comprising the steps of:

- a) laying down a first layer of fibres;
- b) laying down an array of sensing elements;
- c) 3. laying down a second layer of fibres; and
- d) impregnating the layers with resin and allowing them to harden.

--113. The method as claimed in claim 112, in which the layers are placed in a mold.--

--114. A method of protecting the contents of an automatic teller machine while the automatic teller machine (ATM) is being serviced or repaired, comprising the steps of securing the cash cassettes of the ATM to a security system comprising locking means for locking the security system onto a container to be protected, spoiling means for spoiling the contents of the container in the event of an attack and control means for controlling operation of the locking means and spoiling means, and then removing the cash cassette(s) whilst the ATM is being serviced or repaired.--

--115. A method of protecting the contents of an automatic teller machine (ATM) while the ATM is being serviced or repaired, comprising the steps of securing the cash cassette(s) of the ATM to a security container, said security container comprising:

- a) an enclosure for defining a protected volume, said enclosure having an opening;
- b) a removable closure for sealing the opening in the enclosure; and

c) a protective element protecting the removable closure from attack, said protective element arranged, in use, to act as a sacrificial element in the event of an attack on the security container in order to enable a spoiling apparatus located in one of the enclosure, removable closure or the protective element to operate.--

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--116. A blast detector for detecting explosions, characterized by a resilient element held in a first bowed state between opposed supports and a first side of the element being exposed to impinging pressure waves such that, in response to a pressure wave exceeding a predetermined magnitude, the element assumes a second bowed state which is detected to signal the occurrence of a blast.--

--117. The blast detector as claimed in claim 116, in which in the second bowed state the resilient element operates a switch or abuts at least one electrical contact so as to complete a circuit.--

--118. A delivery apparatus for a multi-component spoiling system, comprising at least first and second compartments separated from each other, and mixing means arranged to allow the contents of the compartments to mix in response to an increase in pressure in at least one of the compartments.--

--119. The delivery apparatus as claimed in claim 118, in which the at least two compartments are collapsible reservoirs arranged to expel their contents via a common delivery path.--

--120. The delivery apparatus as claimed in claim 118, in which the at least two compartments are arranged in series such that an increase in pressure within an Nth compartment above a threshold opens a fluid flow communication path with a N+1th compartment, and the final compartment is arranged to deliver a mixture of components via a delivery aperture which is arranged to open in response to pressure exceeding a predetermined threshold.--

--121. The delivery apparatus as claimed in claim 119, characterized by frangible regions which open when the pressure acting thereon exceeds a predetermined threshold.--

--122. The delivery apparatus as claimed in claim 118, characterized by a gas reservoir for selectively applying compressed gas to one of the at least two compartments.

REMARKS

Entry of this Amendment is respectfully requested to change multiple dependent claims and to